GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
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RISE IN INTERNATIONAL DEMAND OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a sharp rise in international demand of steel;

(b) if so, whether Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and other steel PSUs are geared up to meet the demand; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Steel Authority of India Ltd; (SAIL) and others PSUs have taken adequate measures to meet the international demand for Indian steel to provide value added services and delivery of quality products. The volume of steel exported by SAIL and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd; (RINL), PSUs under this Ministry, for the last two years is given below:

Export of Steel (in tonnes)

PSU	2001-02	2002-03	2002-03 (April-November)	2003-04 (April-November)
SAIL	553000	846000 (52.9%)	402000	774000 (92.53)
RINL	271357	377622 (39%)	205881	215073 (4.46%)

(Figures in brackets indicate the percentage increase over the corresponding period previous year)